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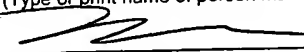
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The items listed are submitted in good faith, but are not intended to substitute for the Examiner's search. It is hoped, however, that in addition to apprising the Examiner of these particular items, they will assist in identifying fields of search and in making as full and complete a search as possible.

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- ☐ [] Enclosed herewith is a certificate under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e).
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The claims of the application as now presented are believed to patentably distinguish over the prior art and to be in condition for allowance. Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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## OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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